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Carpet washer

XLPro
CARPET WASHER

Vax model number:
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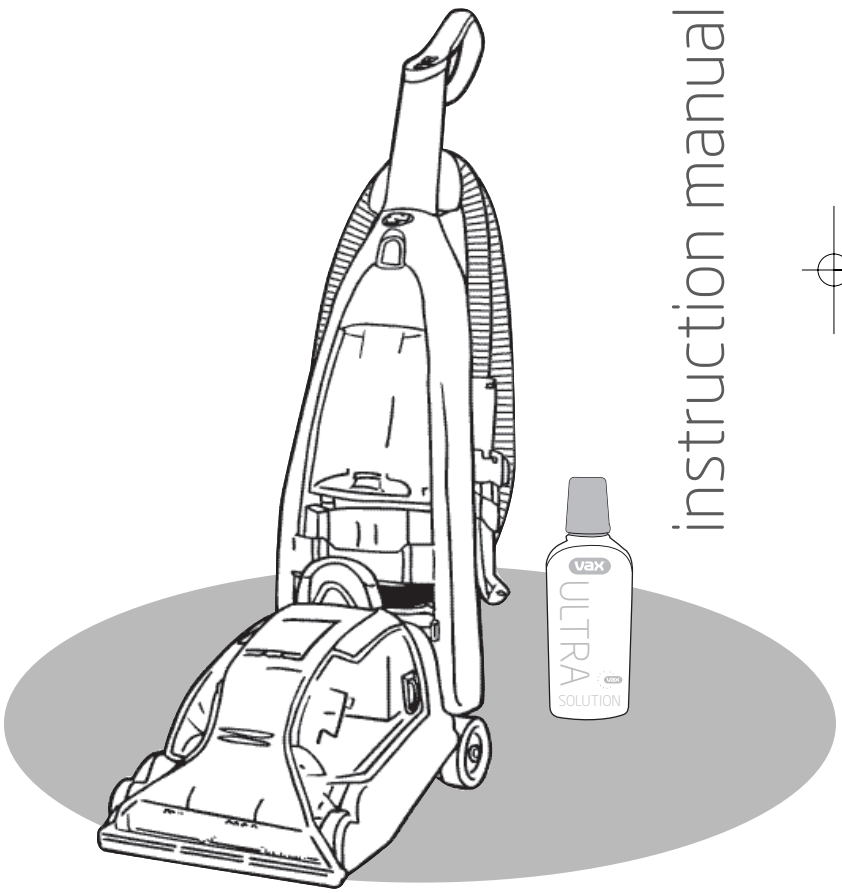

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Please read carefully before using this cleaner.
Always fully extend the mains cable before use.
Retain for future reference.

1. Diagram

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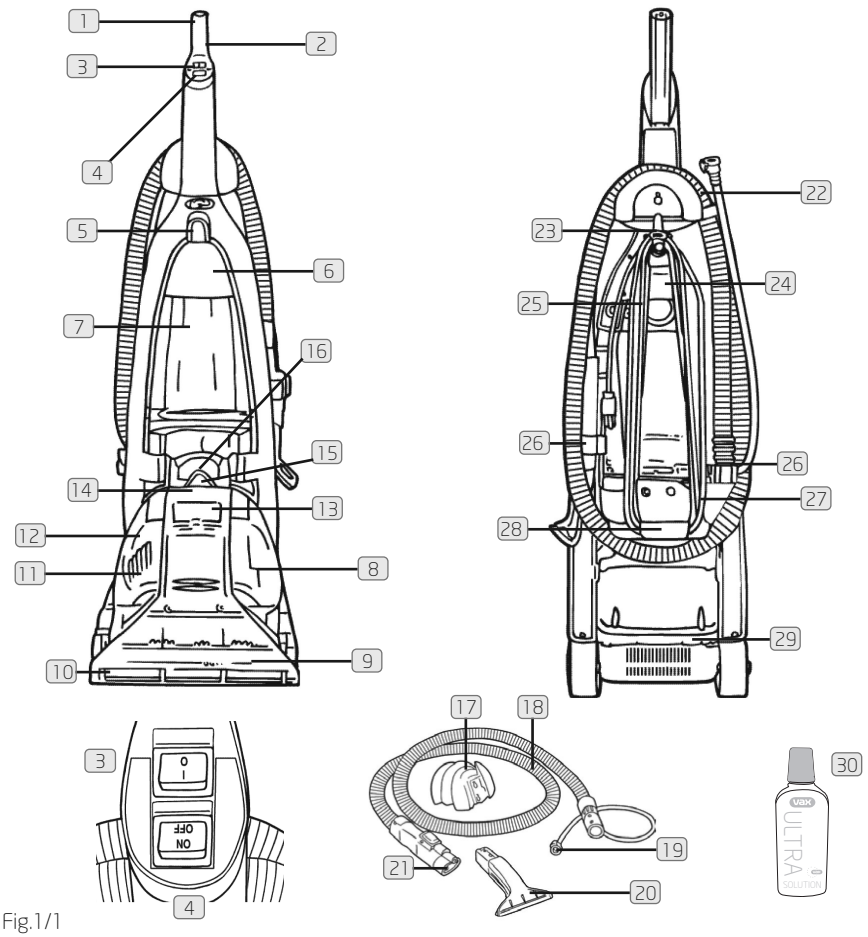

Fig.1/1

1. Handle
2. Solution trigger
3. Brush on/off
4. Power on/off
5. Clean water tank release
6. Clean water tank carry handle
7. Clean water tank
8. Drain cap
9. Dual brushbars
10. Front suction nozzle
11. Dirty water tank
12. Floor/ tools selector
13. Hose attachment cover
14. Dirty water tank handle
15. Dirty water tank nozzle tab
16. Dirty water tank latch
17. Detachable tool storage
18. Hose
19. Water supply connector
20. Upholstery wash tool
21. Upholstery tool trigger
22. Solution/ hose clip
23. Quick cord release
24. Carrying handle
25. Clean water tank cap
26. Hose storage clips
27. Power cord
28. Cord wrap
29. Handle release pedal
30. Vax ultra solution

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2. Safety Information

FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY.

When using the vacuum cleaner, basic safety precautions should always be observed, including the following:

1. Do not leave the carpet washer unattended when plugged in. Unplug it from socket when not in use.
2. To prevent electric shock do not use outdoors.
3. Not to be used as a toy. Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.
4. This appliance is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning the use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.
5. Use only as described in this manual.
6. Do not use with a damaged cord or plug. If the supply cord and/or plug is damaged, they must be replaced by the manufacturer, a Vax Service Agent or similarly qualified persons in order to avoid hazard.
7. Do not pull or carry by the cord, use the cord as a handle, allow the cord to come into contact with hot or sharp surfaces or close a door on the cord.
8. Do not unplug by pulling on the cord.
9. Do not handle the plug or carpet washer with wet hands.
10. Do not put any objects into openings or operate with openings blocked, keep them free of anything that may reduce airflow.
11. Keep hair, loose clothing, fingers and all parts of the body away from openings and moving parts.
12. Do not use the carpet washer on any glowing, burning or smoking particles.
13. Do not use without the solution tank and dirty water tank in place.
14. Do not use the vacuum without the dust bag in place.
15. Turn off all controls before unplugging.
16. Do not use to pick up flammable or combustible liquids such as petrol, or use in areas where they may be present.
17. Keep the unit on the floor.
18. Do not use an extension cord.
19. Do not attempt to remove blockages with sharp objects as they may cause damage.
20. Store indoors put away after use to prevent tripping accidents.
21. Using improper voltage may result in damage to the motor and possible injury to the user. The correct voltage is listed on the rating label.
22. A hazard may occur if the carpet washer runs over the power supply cord.
23. To prevent dirty water from running into motor, do not hold the appliance upside-down or lay on its side. Use appliance in normal vacuuming position.
24. Use extra care when cleaning on stairs.
25. Do not carry appliance while motor is running.

NOTE: Carpets should be dry vacuumed thoroughly before washing.

NOTE: The unit must be unplugged from the mains socket outlet after use, and before cleaning or maintaining the unit.

⚠ IMPORTANT: This unit is not intended for commercial use.

PLEASE KEEP THESE INSTRUCTIONS FOR FURTHER USE.

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3. Assembly

Putting your cleaner together

Remove your Rapide XL from the carton with caution. The handle is connected to the body by a cord (Fig.3/1).

NOTE: Do not tug or pull on the cord.

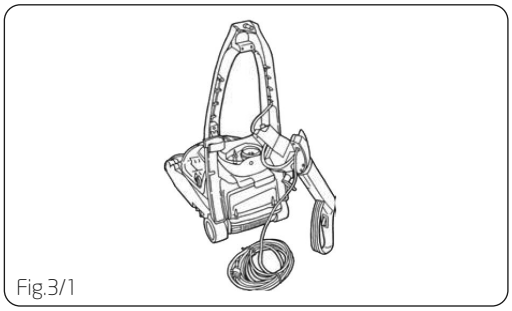

Fig.3/1

Line up the handle to the upper body of the machine and slide into place (Fig.3/2).

NOTE: Phillips screwdriver required

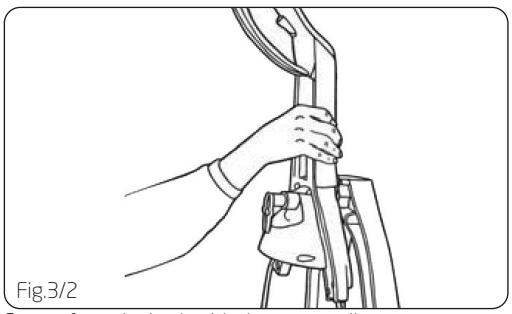

Fig.3/2

Secure from the back with the two smaller screws (Fig.3/3).

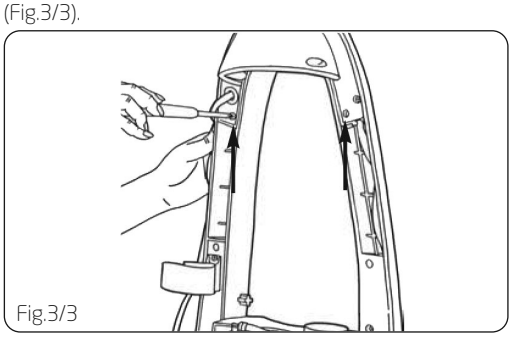

Fig.3/3

Putting your cleaner together.

Feed the cord through the slots on the back of the handle and push into place (Fig.3/4).

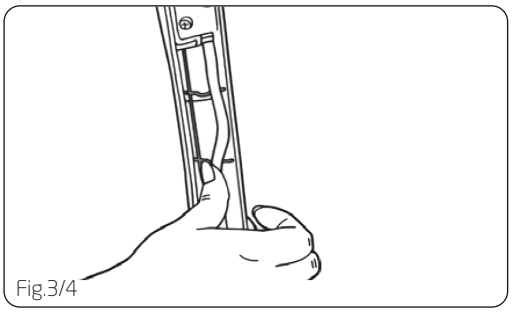

Fig.3/4

Place a nut into the recess in the back of the upper handle. While holding the nut in place insert one of the large screws through the front of the upper handle and tighten (Fig.3/5).

Repeat the process with the second screw.

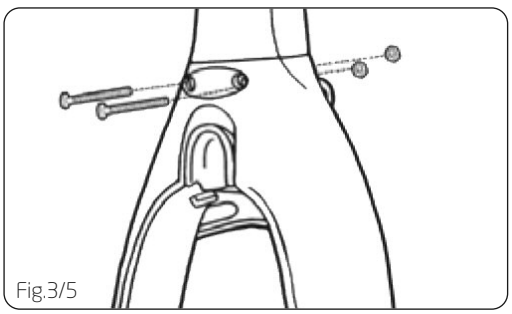

Fig.3/5

Remove the backing tape from the screw cover and press into place (Fig.3/6).

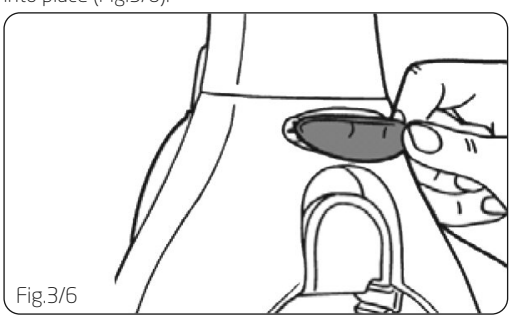

Fig.3/6

Clean water tank

NOTE: Make sure the grey wedge block is resting in place (fig.3/7).

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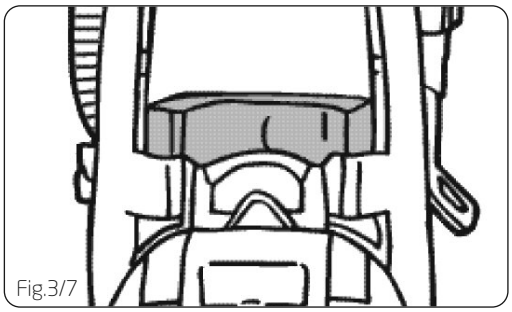
Fig.3/7

Line up the grooves of the clean water tank with the support posts inside the handle. Tilt the top of clean water tank inward and push until it locks into place (Fig.3/8).

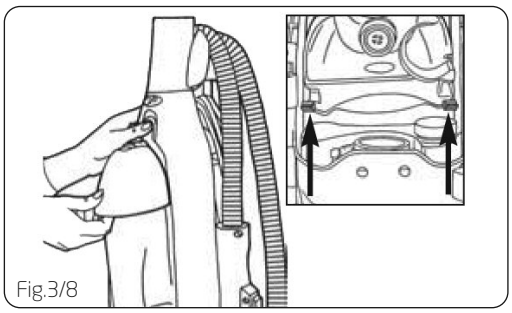
Fig.3/8

Tool storage

To install the tool caddy, line up the tabs of the tool caddy storage with round tabs on the back of the handle (above quick cord clip) (Fig.3/9).

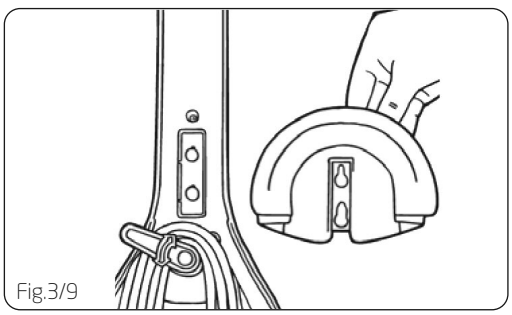
Fig.3/9

Slide the tool caddy downwards until it is secured in place (Fig.3/10).

NOTE: The tool caddy can be removed for storage on a wall.

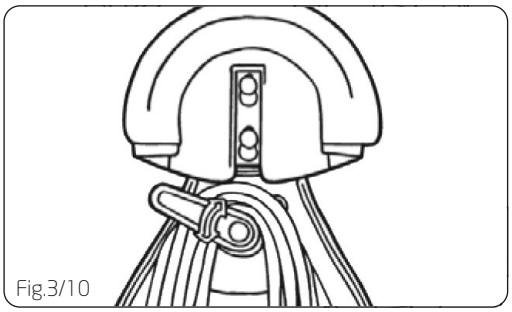
Fig.3/10

Connect upholstery attachment to end of hose by pressing until it clicks into place (Fig3/11).

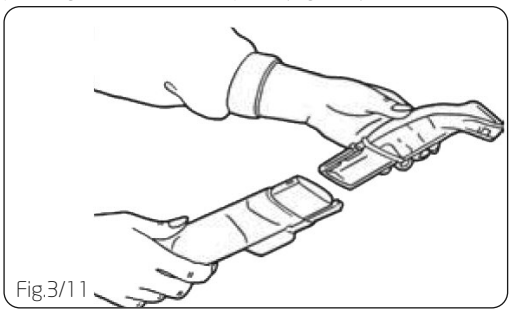
Fig.3/11

Push upholstery attachment into the left hose clip, wrap the hose around the tool caddy starting on the back groove of the storage caddy.

Secure into place by pushing the end of the hose into the hose clip on the right. Press the solution/ hose clip onto the hose to secure the solution tube in place (Fig 3/12).

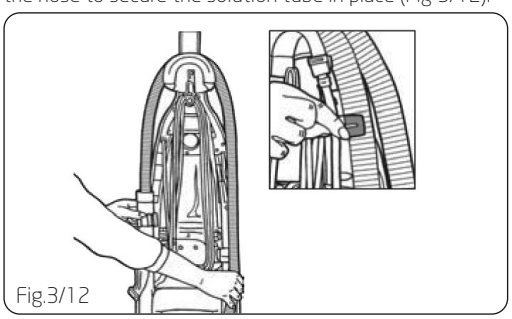
Fig.3/12

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4. Operation

Note: The float in your Rapide XL is the transparent, pivoting moulded part in the dirty water tank, it will shut off the suction when the dirty water tank is full.

For best results use a smooth steady motion keeping the nozzle flat against the carpet. Tipping the cleaner and breaking the seal of the nozzle against the carpet will cause the float to rise cutting off suction.

Once the float is activated, empty the dirty water tank.

If the tank does not appear full turn off the power switch and wait for the float to settle. For best results use only Vax Ultra Solution.

Remove the clean water tank by pressing the clean water tank release and pulling the tank by the handle (Fig.4/1).

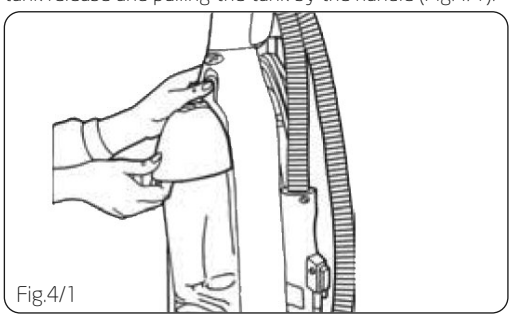

Fig.4/1

⚠ CAUTION: Maximum water temperature 50°C.

Add approximately 140ml of Vax Ultra solution.

Remove the clean water tank cap and put in a safe place. Slowly fill the clean water tank with warm tap water (max 50°C) and replace the cap (Fig.4/2).

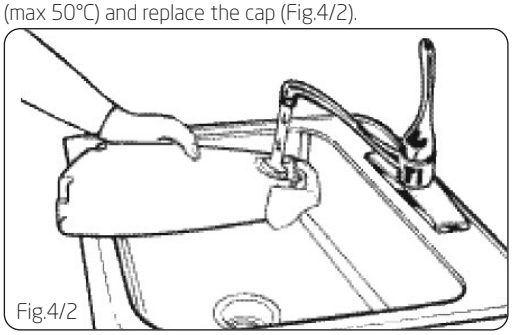

Fig.4/2

Return clean water tank by lining up the grooves of the clean water tank with the support posts on the inside of the handle. Rock clean water tank inward until it locks into place (Fig.4/3).

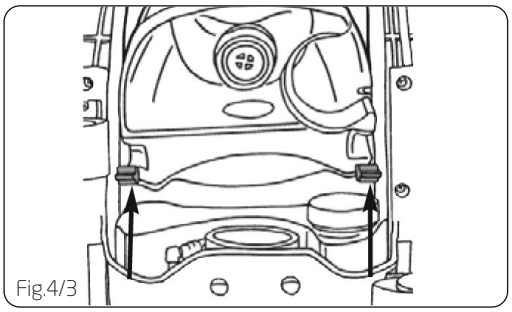

Fig.4/3

Note: Use only Vax Ultra Solution. using other cleaning solution may cause excessive foaming. This may cause the float to shut off the cleaner prematurely. Using other cleaning solution will invalidate your warranty.

Plug the cord into an electrical socket. Step on the handle release pedal to put the cleaner into a cleaning position (Fig.4/4).

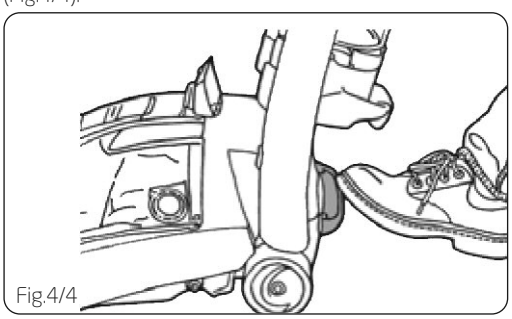

Fig.4/4

Turn power switch and brush switch to the ON position (Fig.4/5).

NOTE The power switch controls the vacuum motor and pump, the bursh switch only turns the contra-rotating brush bars on and off when the power is on.

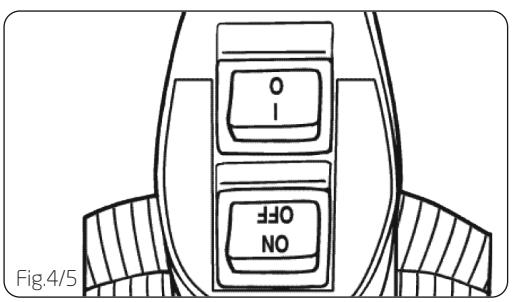

Fig.4/5

To spray cleaning solution, depress the solution release trigger (Fig 4/6) and move the cleaner backward and forward. Release the trigger and push the unit back and forth in the same track to remove dirty water and

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solution from the carpet.
For heavily soiled areas, repeat if necessary.

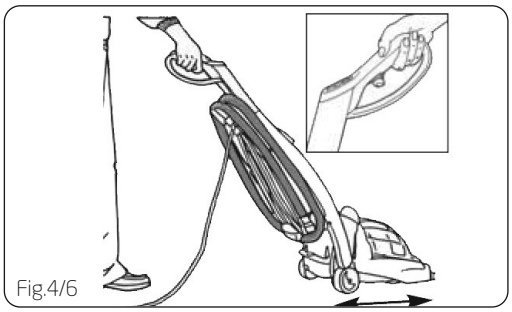
Fig.4/6

How to carry your cleaner

Grab the carrying handle on the back of the cleaner to transport from room to room (Fig.4/7).

NOTE: Do not pick the cleaner up by the clean water tank handle.

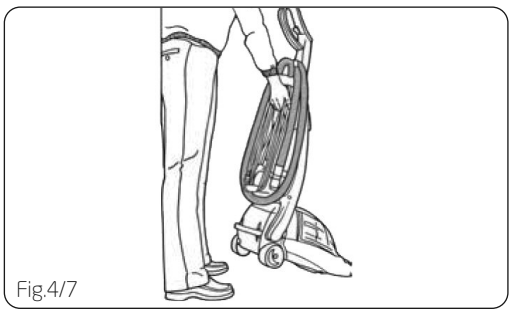
Fig.4/7

Hose attachments

Put the cleaner in its upright position. Turn the brush switch and power switch to the off position (Fig.4/8).

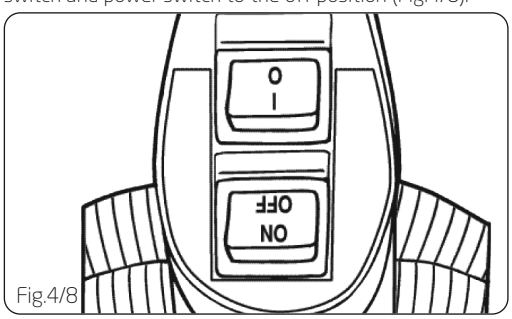

Fig.4/8

Remove the hose from its stored position on the back of the cleaner. Lift the hose attachment cover located on the top of the dirty water tank (Fig.4/9).

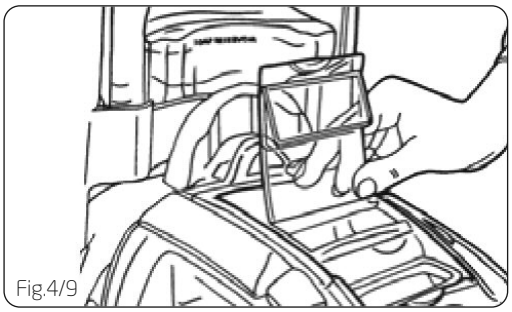
Fig.4/9

Insert the end of the hose into the tool opening and twist clockwise until it locks into place (Fig.4/10).

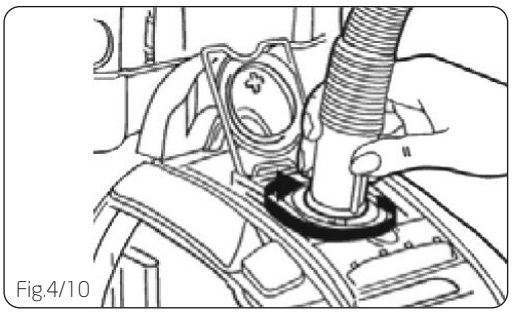
Fig.4/10

Attach the water supply connector to the water supply port and press firmly until it locks into place (Fig.4/11).

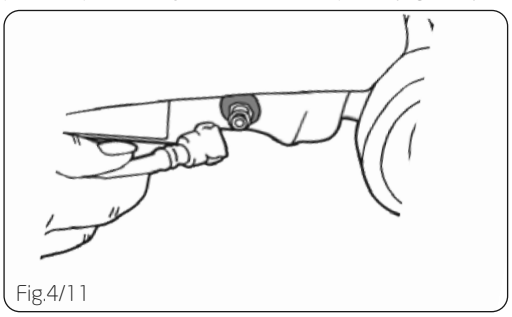
Fig.4/11

Move the floor/tools selector to the tools (upward) position (Fig.4/12).

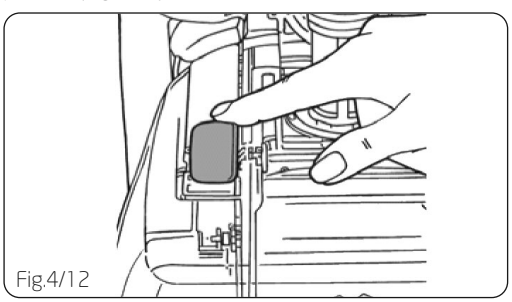
Fig.4/12

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To wash upholstery, be sure that the brush switch is OFF and that the power and soap switches are turned ON (Fig.4/13).

Note: Do not allow upholstery to become too wet.

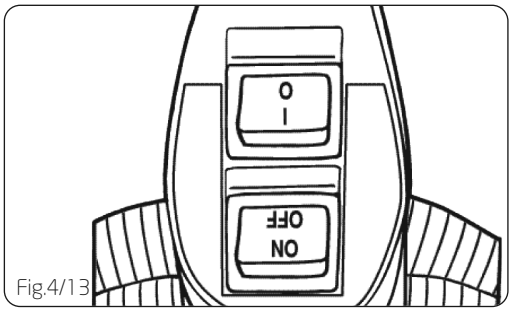

Fig.4/13

While depressing the blue solution spray trigger, push the attachment in a forward motion. Release the trigger and pull the attachment backward in the same path to remove dirty water and solution from upholstery (Fig.4/14).

For heavily soiled areas, repeat if necessary.

NOTE: Make sure upholstery is thoroughly dry before using.

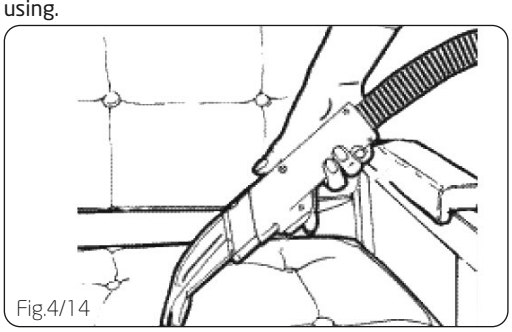
Fig.4/14

Remove the hose from the fitting by twisting it counterclockwise to unlock. Close the hose attachment cover until it snaps into place (Fig.4/15).

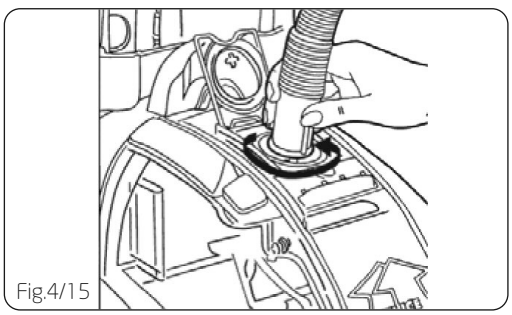
Fig.4/15

Disconnect water supply connector from the water supply port by pressing the grey button and pulling (Fig.4/16).

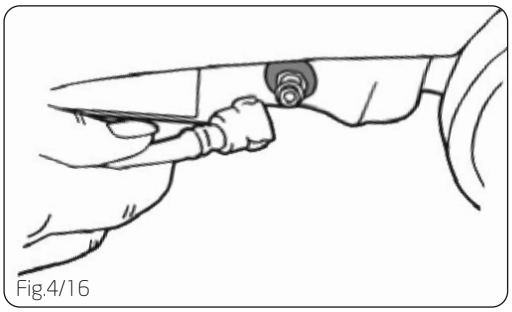
Fig.4/16

Move the tool/floor selector to the floor position (downwards) (Fig.4/17).

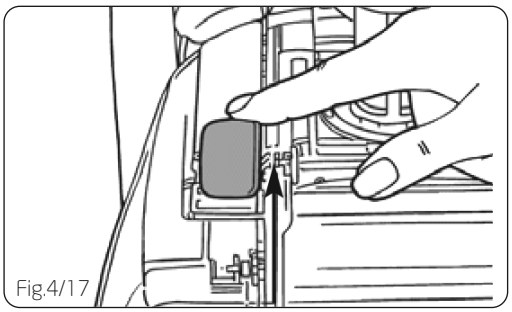
Fig.4/17

Return tools to their storage position on the back of the cleaner (Fig.4/18).

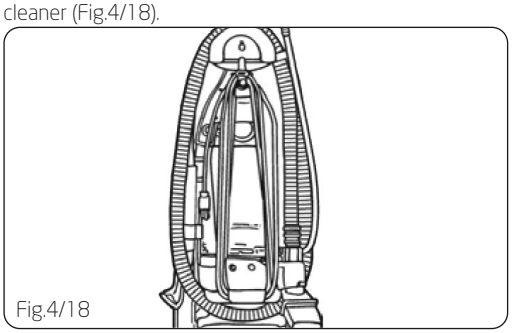
Fig.4/18

Emptying the dirty water tank

Depress the dirty water tank latch and simultaneously pull the dirty water tank nozzle tab up and away from the cleaner (Fig.4/19).

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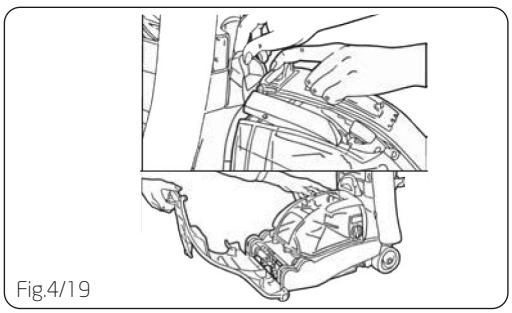


Fig.4/19

Remove the dirty water tank by lifting the dirty water tank handle and pulling the tank out of the base (Fig.4/20).

NOTE: The nozzle does not need to be completely removed to empty the dirty water tank.

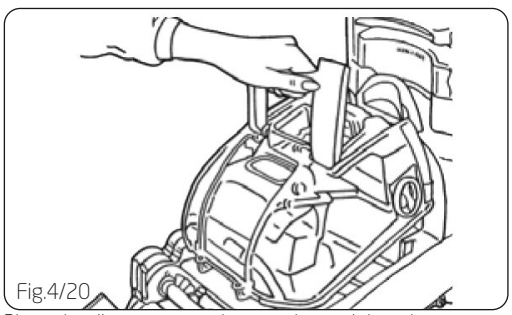


Fig.4/20

Place the dirty water tank over a large sink and remove the dirty water tank cap by twisting it to the left (counterclockwise) and out in a safe place. Empty the water into the sink (Fig.4/21).

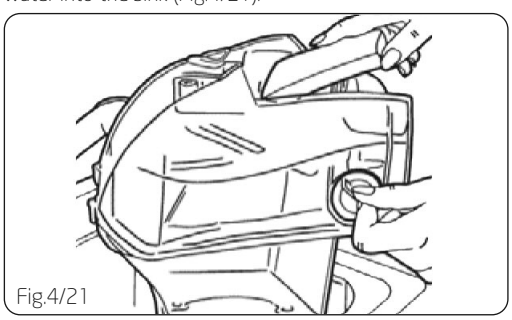
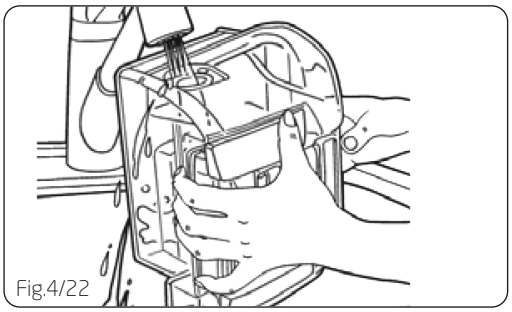


Fig.4/21

Dirty water tank can be rinsed out with hot tap water to remove any remaining debris. Wipe and let dry thoroughly before storing to prevent mildew from forming (Fig.4/22).

NOTE: Do not use any chemicals when cleaning.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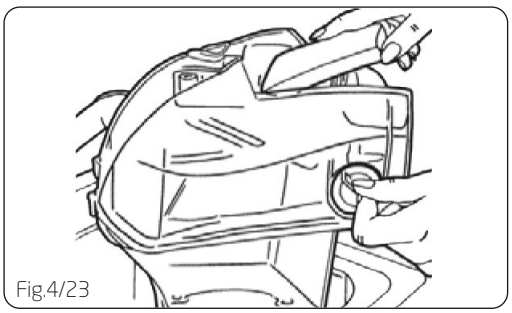
Return the dirty water tank cap (Fig.4/23).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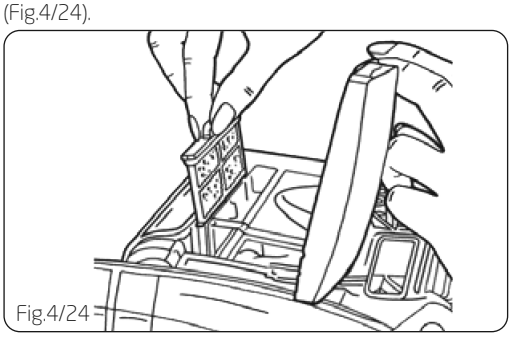
Lift the dirty water tank handle and pull out the filter to clean.

Rinse under hot water and return to the dirty water tank (Fig.4/24).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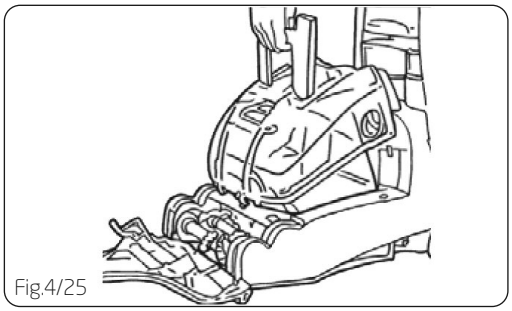
Emptying the dirty water tank

Return dirty water tank to the base of the cleaner by tipping the nozzle down into the basin and dropping it into place (Fig.4/25).



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Lift the front of the cleaner base off the carpeting with one hand. Line up the black tabs with the grooves of the front nozzle.

Lift the front nozzle upwards towards the cleaner and press under the latch until it locks into place (Fig.4/26).

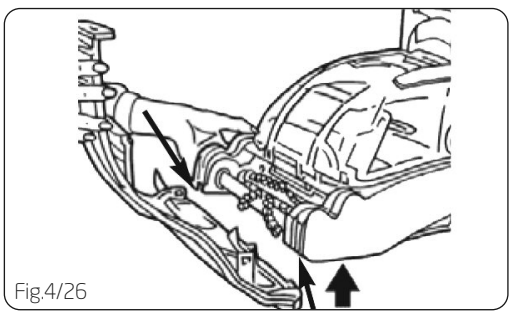

Fig.4/26

5. Maintenance

Remove dirty water tank and front nozzle put them to one side (Fig.5/1).

Fig.5/1

Use a Phillips screwdriver to remove two (2) screws (Fig.5/2).

NOTE: Phillips screwdriver required

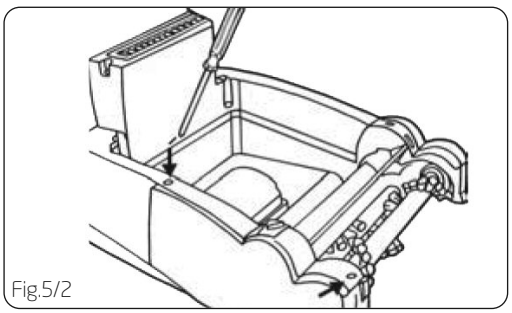

Fig.5/2

Remove the belt cover. Remove the broken belt (Fig.5/3).

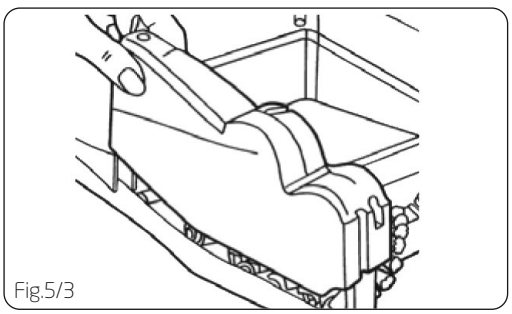

Fig.5/3

Belt or brush removal and replacement (Fig.5/4)

1. Loop the belt around the rear shaft.
2. Loop the top of the belt above the small pulley and the bottom of the belt around the lower small pulley.
3. Feed the entire belt over the first large pulley.
4. Loop the belt around the front large pulley and rotate the front brushbar forward until the belt is in place.

NOTE: Make sure the entire belt stays on top of the

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first large pulley by lightly placing a finder on top to guide it.

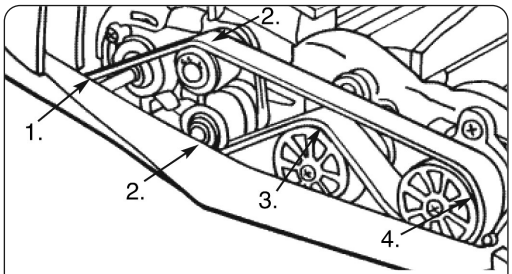

Fig.5/4

Return the nozzle cover to the original position (Fig.5/5)

Secure by replacing the two (2) screws.

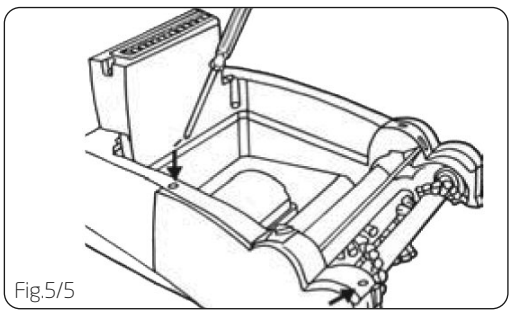
Fig.5/5

Remove the screw that holds the brushbar in place (Fig.5/6).

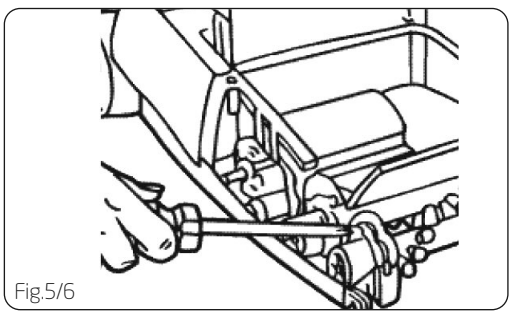
Fig.5/6

Tilt cleaner off the carpet. Grasp the brush bar and pull the right side of its chamber.

Tilt the brushbar down to the ground and remove the silver cap. Slide the worn brushbar out of the cleaner (Fig.5/7).

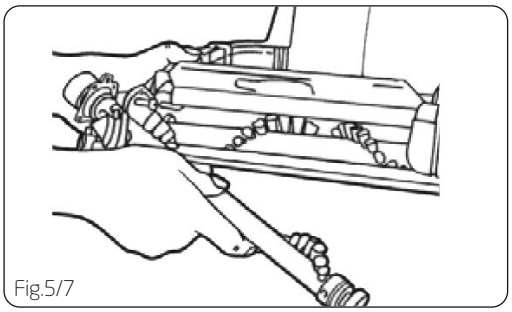
Fig.5/7

To install a new brushbar. Feed the brushbar through the opening until the screw plate and screw hole are lined up (as above) (Fig.5/8).

NOTE: The black cap behind the silver screw plate will be through the hole.

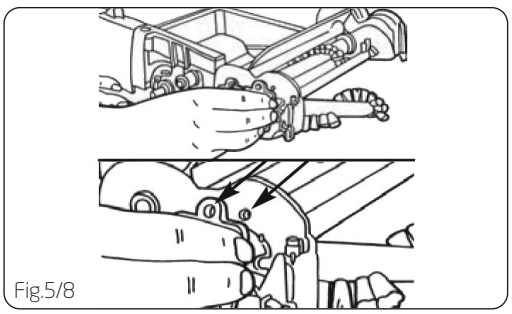
Fig.5/8

Replace the silver cap to right side of the brushbar.

Lift the brushbar up and align with the brushbar chamber. Push the screw plate towards the screw hole until the flush and replace the screw (Fig.5/9).

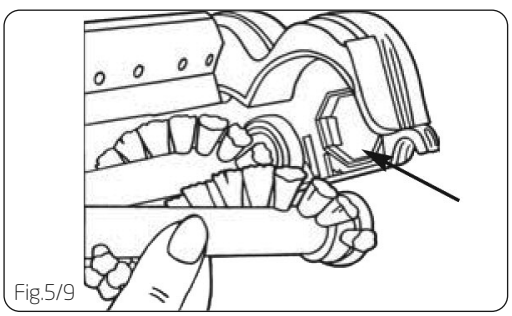
Fig.5/9

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6. Troubleshooting

⚠ WARNING: To reduce the risk of personal injury, unplug the vacuum cleaner before performing maintenance or troubleshooting checks.

PROBLEM: The cleaner won't run.	
Cause:	Not properly plugged into electrical outlet.
Solution:	Plug in firmly.
Cause:	No electricity in electrical outlet.
Solution:	Check fuse or breaker.
Cause:	ON/off switch not turned on.
Solution:	Push on/off switch to 'on'.
Cause:	Blown fuse/tripped breaker.
Solution:	Reset circuit breaker or replace fuse.
PROBLEM: Cleaner won't pick up/loss of suction.	
Cause:	Dirty water tank is full.
Solution:	Switch off and unplug cleaner. Empty dirty water tank as shown in Section 4.
Cause:	Dirty water tank not installed correctly.
Solution:	Refer to page 9 for fitting information.
Cause:	Obstruction in hose/nozzle.
Solution:	Remove hose and clear obstruction.
Cause:	Broken or worn belt.
Solution:	Replace the belt. See page 10.
Cause:	Brushbar is worn.
Solution:	Replace the brush bar. See page 10.
PROBLEM: Liquid escaping from the vacuum.	
Cause:	Dirty water tank is full.
Solution:	Switch off and unplug cleaner. Empty dirty water tank as shown in Section 4.
Cause:	Dirty water tank not installed correctly.
Solution:	Refer to page 9 for fitting information.
Cause:	Solution tank not installed correctly.
Solution:	Make sure the tank is securely locked in place
PROBLEM: Clean solution won't dispense.	
Cause:	Solution tank not installed correctly.
Solution:	Make sure the tank is securely locked in place.
Cause:	Solution tank empty.
Solution:	Refill tank. Refer to page 6 for instructions.

7. UK Service & Help

Vax Care 0870 6061248

Monday-Friday 8.00am to 6.00pm

Saturday-Sunday 9.00am to 5.00pm

An answerphone is available outside of these hours. Any queries or concerns about using the Vax, call the Vax Careline. Calls are charged at the UK national rate.

Please make a note of the serial number and model number of the carpet cleaner before calling. There are over 400 approved Vax Service Agents in the UK. For the nearest Service Agent, please call the Vax Careline.

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8. Technical Specification

Voltage:	220-240V ~50Hz
Wattage:	750 W
Capacity:	Clean water tank - 4.0 litres
	Dirty water tank - 3.7 litres
Cord length:	7.5 metres
Weight:	11.30kg

Subject to technical change without notice.

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Manufacturer/EEC importer: Vax Limited, hereby on our own responsibility, declare that the Vax V-027U is manufactured in compliance with the following Directives:

Safety: 2006/95/EC Low Voltage Directive
EMC: 2004/108/EC Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive

Waste electrical products should not be disposed of with household waste. Please recycle where facilities exist. Check with your Local Authority or retailer for recycling advice.

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